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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 7, 2001

APPLICATION OF

CAVALIER TELEPHONE, LLC

CASE NO. PUC010213

To reclassify the Bethia wire center into density cell one

PRELIMINARY ORDER

On October 16, 2001, Cavalier Telephone, LLC ("Cavalier"), filed its Application and Motion to Reclassify the Bethia Wire Center ("Application"), which requests the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to reclassify Verizon Virginia Inc.'s ("Verizon Virginia") Bethia wire center from density cell three to density cell one. Pending the requested reclassification, Cavalier asks the Commission to require that certain promotional discounts applicable to the Bethia wire center be maintained. We find that Cavalier's Application, while captioned under Case No. PUC970005 as well as this docket, should be considered only in Case No. PUC010213, as captioned above.

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¹ The Commission ordered that Verizon Virginia's loop prices be deaveraged into the three groups known as density cell one, two, and three. Density cell three is the highest priced (\$29.40 for a basic loop) and density cell one is the lowest priced (\$10.74 for a basic loop). See Order issued May 22, 1998, and Final Order issued April 15, 1999, Case No. PUC970005, Ex Parte: To determine prices Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc., is authorized to charge Competitive Local Exchange Carriers in accordance with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and applicable state law.

The Commission finds that Verizon Virginia should be made a Respondent in this case and should be required to file its response to Cavalier's Application on or before November 28, 2001. The Commission further finds that Cavalier should be granted leave to file its reply to Verizon Virginia's response on or before December 10, 2001.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) This case shall be docketed as Case No. PUC010213 to consider Cavalier's Application.
- (2) Verizon Virginia is hereby directed to file its response to Cavalier's Application on or before November 28, 2001.
- (3) Cavalier is hereby directed to file its reply, if any, to Verizon Virginia's response on or before December 10, 2001.